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I am a senior software engineer at the Los Alamos National Laboratory and I find the Microsoft Settlement lacking. It does not stop the anticompetitive practice of bundling software with Microsoft's operating systems, which have a monopoly presence in the desktop operating system market.

This allows Microsoft to drive competitors (for instance Real Audio) out of the market by bundling it with their operating system. Microsoft obtains remuneration for the bundled product through the cost of the operating system. But this forces the competitor to compete with a "free" product.

This must be fixed to allow for competition in the market place.

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